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Living Conditions among Miners

In general miners complain both of living conditions and of the lack of safety devices in their work. Mine managements are concentrating all their energies on extracting the greatest possible amount of coal regardless of the miners' safety, and there are frequent fatal accidents.

a. Rations.

In addition to Polish miners there are about 25,000 German ex-POW's employed in Polish mines. Their monthly rations of food and soap and those of the Polish miners are as follows (amounts given in kilograms):

	German ex-POW's		Poles	
	Underground Workers	Surface Workers	Underground Workers	Surface Workers
Bread	24	16	23	15
Wheat flour	1.5	1.5	2	2
Porridge	3.5	2.5	2	2
Meat	0.8	0.6	3	2
Fats	0.5	0.25	1.5	1.25
Peas	1.2	1.2	-	-
Sugar	0.5	0.3	2	1
Soap	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.4

Daily caloric value of the rations is as follows: POW working underground - 3,013 calories, POW working on the surface - 2,267 calories, Poles working underground - 3,059 calories, Poles working on the surface - 2,166 calories.

b. Miners' Earnings.

Day work - general

112 zloty NO CHANGE in Class. ☐

Day work on driving galleries or staying timbering

120 zloty ☐ DECLASSIFIEDClass. ☐ TO: TS ☒

Piece work, per day, approximately 137 zloty

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